

SHIPS COLLIDE IN NORFOLK HARBOR

The Crew of Dominican Warship Complain of the Cold.

OYSTER PIRATES ACTIVE

Negro Editor Secures a New Trial and is Released.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., October 12.—The schooner General Levi Harris was in collision in the harbor to-day with the British schooner Lavonia, leaving her loaded with creosoted lumber for Halifax. The Lavonia proceeded on her way as if not injured, but the General Levi Harris was towed to the wharf here to be repaired. Her bowsprit was carried away and her foremast came down.

The United States auxiliary cruiser, Dixie, which recently arrived in Hampton Roads from Gibraltar, having aboard members of the Chester expedition which went to Africa to observe the total eclipse of the sun in August, passed out the Virginia Capes this afternoon bound for the League Island navy yard at Philadelphia, where she goes out of commission.

Themen of the Dominican warship Presidente, complained of the cold and were to-day removed from the ship to warmer quarters in the city here under care of Charles Mingo, a colored interpreter of the city. The members of the crew speak Spanish and French but not English. The Presidente will be repaired at the navy yard and the Captain told Mingo that she will be here three months. John E. Dickerson, the colored editor, who was sent to jail for criminal libel of a colored woman singer in a church, was granted a new trial to-day on the ground that the court allowed the defense to introduce evidence as to the good character of the accused and in the instructions to the jury said that the character evidence could be credited only in mitigation of the offense charged. Dickerson gave bail and was released. The State Board of Fisheries will meet here next Wednesday to continue the considering of oyster survey cases, meantime the oyster tending is more active in the waters of the James River, now than in any other month of the year. And even now the number of tongs at work is not as large as it was at the opening of the season. The first catch is the best, and naturally many of the oystermen have left for other points, but there still are a number of tongs at work and bivalves of good quality are being shipped here from these beds.

PRESIDENT INVITED.

Huger Scheduled As Superintendent of the Tidewater Railroad.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., October 12.—Mr. C. A. Woodward, chairman of the Committee of the Board of Trade and Business Men's Association, which has for its object the inducing of the President of the United States to visit Norfolk upon his return from his southern trip, sent a telegram to Mr. Roosevelt this morning, renewing the invitation for him to visit Norfolk.

There is a persistent rumor that Major F. K. Huger, formerly general superintendent of the Seaboard Air Line, will be the general superintendent of the Tidewater Railroad. Major Huger is in North Carolina and could not be reached, and nothing could be learned from the Tidewater officials here.

Miss Annie Clement, formerly for a number of years matron of the Episcopal Church Home, suffered a stroke of paralysis last night, and is now in a serious condition.

Captain B. B. Sale, formerly the keeper of a hotel here on the corner of Main Street and Commercial Place, is critically ill. He was stricken with paralysis several days ago.

CONVOCATION.

Programme of Meetings at Abingdon Church in Gloucester.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
GLOUCESTER C. H., VA., October 12.—The Richmond Convocation will be held in Abingdon Church, Gloucester county, Va., commencing next Tuesday. The devotional service for clergy will be conducted by the Rev. Thomas Semmes, and the morning prayers and sermon by Rev. John J. Gravatt. Business meeting and luncheon will consume the balance of the first day's session.

The evening prayer and sermon will be by Rev. William M. Clark. Wednesday the devotional services will be conducted by the Rev. Giles B. Cooke, and convocation sermon will be preached and holy communion will be conducted by the Rev. Stephen C. Southall. The afternoon will be devoted to missionary services. The following address will be made: Convocation Missions, Rev. S. B. Hopwood; Foreign Missions, Rev. John Conner; Foreign Missions, Rev. John Ridout.

Rev. John H. Dickinson will conduct devotional services Thursday, and Rev. E. E. Osmond the morning prayer and sermon. The evening prayer and sermon is allotted to the Rev. W. E. Evans, D. D., of Richmond.

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BARKSDALE MIGHTY POWER ON THE STUMP

Reminded Grayson Democrats of Cyclone Jim in His Palmist Days.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
INDEPENDENCE, VA., October 12.—The October term of the Circuit Court of Grayson county commenced Tuesday, Judge R. C. Jackson presiding.

By 10 o'clock the largest crowd that has assembled here in recent years on a court day had gathered; some had come to attend to business which they had in the court; some to trade and swap horses, but the great majority came to hear the political speaking. The people were anxious for a joint discussion, which was finally arranged by the speakers themselves, as follows: Mr. W. S. Poague, of Wytheville, Republican, lead off in a speech of an hour, followed by Senator W. P. Barksdale, in behalf of the Democrats for an hour. Senator Revercomb, the Republican candidate for attorney-general, replied to Mr. Barksdale in an hour's speech, followed by Mr. Barksdale in a thirty minutes' speech to which Mr. Revercomb made a twenty minutes' reply.

Senator Barksdale made a great speech and successfully defended the Democratic administration of affairs in Virginia for the last twenty years at every point. He said such men have ever reigned since a drubbing as Poague and Revercomb received at the hands of Barksdale, in Grayson county, since Cyclone Jim Marshall wiped up the earth with J. Lucien Gleeves away in the '90s. The outlook for the success of the entire Democratic party in Grayson county at the present time is very flattering. It is predicted by many of those thoroughly acquainted with the political conditions throughout the county that Mr. F. J. Lundy, the present courteous and efficient clerk of the county, will defeat his Republican opponent, Mr. I. B. Bryant, by a majority of 250 or 300; while the majority of E. Scott Hale, over his Republican opponent, L. K. Cornett, for the House of Delegates, will not be quite so large.

CAROLINE COURT.

Sentenced for Criminal Assault. Closely Contested Case.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BOWLING GREEN, VA., October 12.—Circuit Court adjourned Tuesday after having been in session since Monday. A number of chancery cases were disposed of.

Judson Coleman was convicted of attempted criminal assault, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of ten years.

Two months ago he was discharged for a similar offense for want of evidence, and this one was committed in less than two weeks after he was discharged from custody. All the parties were colored. The case of A. C. Garrison, a land agent of this county, against Charles H. Mont, in which the Southern Farm Agency, Inc., in which the plaintiff was interested, was decided in favor of Garrison. Both Garrison and the Southern Farm Agency, through John W. Allison, of Fredericksburg, their agent, claimed the commissions for the sale of Montley's farm. The proposition was made by the plaintiff, and the evidence was in favor of Garrison. That Garrison sold the farm. Both sides were ably represented, Chandler and Chandler representing Garrison and St. George Fitzhugh and W. W. Butzner, of Fredericksburg, representing the Southern Farm Agency. The land was placed in the hands of both to sell, and both having had some conversation and correspondence with the purchaser.

REPUBLICANS SPEAK.

Lewis, Kent and Harris Address a Good Crowd.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PROVIDENCE FORGE, VA., October 12.—The Republican meeting held here to-day was attended by a crowd of over 100. A big band of music was one of the attractions. County Chairman Dr. L. A. Shalin, introduced as first speaker Mr. C. L. Harris, candidate for the Legislature, who spoke for an hour. He was followed by Judge J. L. Lewis for Governor, following him, and Captain Kent for lieutenant-governor, closing. All made eloquent addresses.

Richmond Boys at Lehigh.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEHIGH UNIVERSITY, PA., October 12.—There are at Lehigh three men from Richmond, J. T. Vaddell, of the class of 1907; G. B. Brothers, of 1908; and L. C. Taylor, of 1909. Besides these three there are three men in Richmond now preparing to come up here next fall. There is a scholarship offered to the post-graduate students of Lehigh. High graduates of Lehigh, and this is the most valued of the scholarships given there each year. The twenty-sixth celebration of the founding of Lehigh University took place to-day in the University Chapel. In connection with these exercises occurred the inauguration of Henry Burges Drinker as president of the university, to succeed Dr. Thomas M. Drown, deceased.

A. B. MORRIS FOR SUSSEX CLERK

County Democratic Committee Decide Contest Against Hargrove.

ILLEGAL VOTING CHARGED

Large Revival in the Methodist Church—Captain Lamb to Speak.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., October 12.—The Sussex Democratic Committee has decided against Jesse Hargrove, the defeated candidate for clerk of the county courts, who appealed to the committee for a reconsideration of the primary results by which R. B. Norris was nominated by a majority of three.

The contesting petition was rejected on the ground that it was presented too late, and it is understood that Mr. Norris may appeal to the State Committee. Hargrove contests Norris' nomination on the grounds of an alleged erroneous count at Henry precinct, illegal votes, and the presence of several committeemen by proxy when the votes were cast, to which Norris replies with counter charges of illegal votes, and the sustained claim that the contesting petition was presented too late.

George Mason and Bernard and Townsend, of Petersburg, are Hargrove's attorneys, while M. G. Mason, of Waverly, and R. H. Mann, of this city, represent Norris.

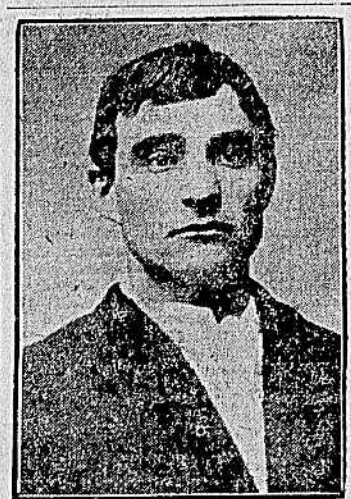
Large and successful revival services are in progress at the West Street and Blandford Methodist churches. Rev. F. O. Davis, pastor of the West Street church, is conducting the services there, and Mr. Diacott, an evangelist from Richmond, is leading at Blandford church.

Congressman John Lamb arrived in Petersburg this morning. He is to speak in Ettrick and Matoca.

FUGITIVE SLAYER.

Reward for Eddie Covington, Who Killed James T. Sacra.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BOWLING GREEN, VA., October 12.—The above is a photograph of Eddie Covington, who killed James T. Sacra.



EDDIE COVINGTON.

at Chewing & Dillard's excelsior mill, in Carolina county, about three weeks ago, for whom the sheriff of Virginia has ordered a reward of \$50 for his arrest, payable after trial and conviction. Covington is between 21 and 22 years old; weighs about 120 or 130 pounds; dark complexion, heavy eye-brows, black hair, inclined to curl; one eye-lid a little drawn; well built, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches tall, but is a native born American.

HOLSTON CONFERENCE MEETS IN BRISTOL

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, VA., October 12.—The Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, embracing portions of Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee, convened in its eighty-second annual session in State Street Church yesterday morning.

Bishop William Wallace Duncan is presiding and this is his third time to preside over this Conference with its membership of 67,000 and church and school properties valued at about \$1,700,000.

The educational committee has under consideration the matter of raising \$100,000 for the erection of a new building at Henry and Henry College, in Washington county, Va.

At the morning session charges were preferred against Rev. W. W. Hicks, pastor of the church at Chilhowie, Va. Mr. Hicks, who is one of the veteran ministers of the Conference, accused of conduct grossly unworthy of a minister, the nature of which has been made public, but it is said that this is not the first time Mr. Hicks has had to face charges against him in Conference. There are eleven new men seeking admission to the Conference on trial.

At to-day's session twenty-two superannuated ministers reported and passed muster. Some of these veterans have served the church for more than half a century. Among the prominent churchmen who were introduced to the conference to-day were Dr. Tigert, of Nashville, book editor of the Church; Dr. P. H. Whisler, of Louisville, secretary of the Church Extension Board; Dr. Brooks, of North Carolina; Dr. H. M. Dubose, of Nashville, editor of the Epworth Era; Dr. Lambuth, missionary secretary, and Dr. J. L. Kennedy, a Brazilian missionary. Dr. Dubose addressed the conference. The presiding elder of the ten districts reported to-day. Each gave a flattering report of the work of the past year, both spiritually and financially. These reports show a total of 6,000 conversions within the bounds of the conference during the year.

The City Council of Bristol were unanimously thanked by the conference for having prohibited a proposed carnival exhibition this week.

The annual report of the Epworth League Board was read by Dr. J. A. Burrow, editor of the Midland Methodist. This report shows the League to be a powerful auxiliary of the Church.

A Sunday school mass meeting was held to-night. The trial committee is expected to render its verdict in the case of Rev. W. W. Hicks, of Chilhowie, Va., to-morrow. It is said that the charge of gross impropriety against Mr. Hicks was brought about by reason of his having accepted a dare to kiss a pretty lady in his flock.

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